**Year 4 SSM in Primary Care**

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General Practice is the specialty where you see everything and everyone.Ninety per cent of all patient contacts in the NHS occur in Primary Care. A GP placement is a fantastic opportunity to develop your curiosity for patients and their stories, as well as learn important skills in communication, examination and diagnosis.

This Special Study Module aims to build on your previous experiences of Primary Care in Years 1, 2 and 4. Involving both small-group teaching and a clinical attachment in a local surgery, we explore what makes general practice such a complex, exciting and rewarding specialty.

**Aims**

During the SSM, you will:

* See patients in Primary Care and gain further understanding of the work of a GP
* Practise clinical skills, particularly history-taking and examination
* Reflect on the unique challenges associated with looking after patients in Primary Care
* Concentrate on an area of special interest to produce a poster project

**Structure**

* Attachment in a local surgery, supervised by an experienced GP tutor
* Informal seminar-style teaching with the Primary Care Teaching Team
* Individual tutorials on topic of choice for poster presentation

If you have any questions, please don’t hesitate to contact Dr Alison Convey (alison.convey@phc.ox.ac.uk).